

Environmental and Energy Industry Profile

Background

According to data from the Northwest Environmental Business Council, there are 400 companies in the environmental industry sector in Washington state employing 16,000 people. Key sub-sectors include water treatment, radioactive waste, and hazardous waste. Revenues from the environmental industry sector generated approximately \$1.7 billion in revenue in 2000. Washington currently ranks 15th among the fifty U.S. states in revenues generated by the environmental sector.

The energy sector is also important to Washington. In addition to producing petroleum and coal products, our economy is enhanced by the availability of inexpensive, reliable power from hydroelectric facilities. Eighty-four percent of the utility electric power generated within the state is produced at hydroelectric facilities.

(Source: Northwest Environmental Business Council, Washington State Office of Trade and Economic Development Energy Division)

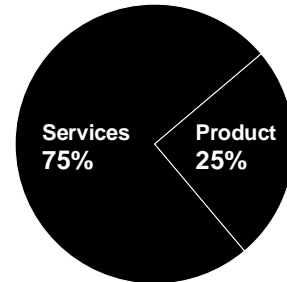
Exports

According the Northwest Environmental Business Council, Washington exported approximately \$189 million in environmental services in the year 2000. These exports come from approximately 10% of all the companies in the environmental sector involved with exporting. Washington state ranks 20th overall compared to other states in exporting environmental services and equipment.

In the energy sector, Washington exported \$479 million in mineral fuel, oil, and related products in 2001.

(Source: Northwest Environmental Business Council; MISER statistics).

Environmental Industry in Washington Companies in Service or Product Area



Source: Northwest Environmental Business Council

Leading Environmental Companies

- URS Corporation
- RCI Environmental
- Hart Crowser, Inc.
- CH2M Hill
- IT Corporation
- Montgomery Watson Harza
- Wilder Construction Company
- Golder Associates
- Kennedy/Jenks Consultants
- Earth Tech, Inc.

(Source: Puget Sound Business Journal Book of Lists and Washington CEO, 2002).